

	<i>Unit</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
Alumina Refinery	Million *TPY	0.8	1.35
Aluminium Smelter	Million *TPY	0.218	0.345

* TPY – Tonnes per year.

(c) The country is at present self sufficient in aluminium.

[English]

**T.V. Relay Centre at Chidambaram,
Tamil Nadu**

6166. DR. P. VALLAL PERUMAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a T.V. relay centre at Chidambaram, South Arcot District in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) the criteria fixed to set up a relay station?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS):

(a) and (b). There is no proposal, at present, to set up a TV relay centre at Chidambaram, South Arcot district of Tamil Nadu. However, it is envisaged to set up a high power TV transmitter at Kumbakonam subject to actual availability of resources and interse priorities. This transmitter, when commissioned into service, is expected to provide satisfactory TV service to Chidambaram.

(c) The criteria followed by Doordarshan, while deciding the locations of TV transmitters, inter-alia, includes factors such as provision of coverage to uncovered areas: extent of resultant coverage; provision of coverage to hilly, backward, tribal, remote, sensitive and border areas, availability of programme production & linkage facilities and other infrastructural facilities. Besides, the needs of places of cultural and historical importance are also taken into account.

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6167. SHRI BALRAJ PASSI:

SHRI CHETAN P.S.

CHAUHAN:

SHRI ANNA JOSHI:

SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telecom centres sanctioned in Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Bihar, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Madhay Pradesh during 1991-92;

(b) the number of centres actually opened, out of them in each State;

(c) the time by which the remaining

centres are likely to be opened and

(d) the target for opening such centres in each of these States during Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI

P V RANGAYYA NAIDU) (a) to (d) The information is given in Statement below

STATEMENT

S. No.	Name of the States.	Name of Department Telecom. Centres sanctioned during 1991-92.	No. of Telecom Centres actually opened during 1991-92.	No. of Telecom. Centres are likely to be opened.	Time by which the remaining Telecom. Centres are likely to be opened.	Target for opening such Centres during 8th Five Year Plan (*).
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Uttar Pradesh	97	75	During 1992	250	
2.	Gujarat	19	19	Not applicable	25	
3.	Bihar	10	10	Not applicable	75	
4.	Rajasthan	8	6	On availability of suitable accommodation	10	
5.	Maharashtra	10	5	On availability of suitable accommodation	10	
6.	Andhra Pradesh	25	25	Not applicable.	90	
7.	Madhya Pradesh	25	25	Not applicable	100	

* The opening of Telecom. Centre is subject to demand/feasibility.